AMEN CORNER HONORS PLATT.

ALL SORTS AND CONDITIONS OF MEN AT THE FEAST.

Distinguished Guests Subjected to Good-Grilling - Fat Man Asks Name of Speaker as Senator Depew Sits Down-Some of the Speeches.

The Brethren of the Amen Corner exalted the horn of their brother, Thomas C. Platt, last night with a banquet the like of which New York never saw before. There is only one Amen Corner. It is in the corridors of the Fifth Avenue Hotel. The dinner was held in the dining room of the

The dinner could not be held in the corridor, for there were too many brethren. There were 400 seated and hundreds of others clamored about the doors of the dining room, hoping that somebody inside would drop dead and give the outsiders a

The attendance of the brethren comprised representatives of every walk of There were bartenders, preachers, politicians, reformers, newspaper men, scholars, laborers, and William Leary, The Mayor was there, and with roars of aughter took all the guying shied at him.

Secretary Root got a greeting that for a moment unsettled the stern gravity of his public countenance. Senator Depew was made to blush. Congressman Payne, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the House, shared jabs with Lieut.-Gov. Woodruff and State Senator Ellsworth. Archbishop Ireland, the Rev. Dr. David J. Burrell, ex-Gov. Black, Postmaster-General Payne, August Belmont, John A. McCall, Senator N. B. Scott, Senator John Kean, Chairman Dunn of the Republican State Committee and Joe Manley of Maine also sat with the guest of honor at the dais.

Out of compliment to Senator Platt the menu was printed on the back of United States Express tags, addressed to the Senator and stamped "Value asked and not A fine photogravure of Mr Platt, printed on parchment, was attached to

TROUBLE BEGINS EARLY.

The "A men Corner troubles" began before the entrée was served. One table of the younger brethren had been supplied with megaphones of no small dimensions Just about the moment when the dinner was beginning to drag in the least, a brother arose and demanded through his megaphone the attention of Brother Edward G. Riggs, the chairman.

"Mr. Chairman," he said, "who is the greatest politician in the world?" "Does anybody here know?" asked the chairman. Immediately the whole megaphone contingent rose and roared:

"Thomas Collier Platt!"
"Why," asked Brother Riggs, "is Brother Platt the greatest politician in the world?"
"Because," answered a fat young man
with a red face, "he sent Sol Berliner to
Teneriffe and turned down Amasa Thorn-

"Why do they call Senator Platt the Easy Boss?" asked a person with a leather face. "Why?" echoed the chairman.

"Why?" echoed the chairman.
"Because he finds everybody elso so
easy," said the wicked-looking person
triumphantly. The Senator chuckled discreetly. The Mayor, who was but one
seat removed from him, doubled up on
his chair and beat his knees with joy.

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After a fanfare of trumpets, a great cartoon was brought in and carried around the room. It depicted Senator Platt, life-size, sitting before an Amen Corner bench with his hand raised as though he were impressing a Sunday School lesson upon the scholars gathered before him. The scholars were President Roosevelt, Gov. Odell, ex-Gov. Black, ex-Gov. Morton, Lieut.-Gov. Woodruff and Senator Depew. The parading of this picture was hailed by the singing of a song of which one verse is here given:

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

(By the Scholars.)
The Sunday school that blessed place
Oh, may its joys be mine:
'Its there we meet a smiling face
That frowns at forty-nine.

One of the megaphone men was asked by the chairman whether he knew how to catch squirrels and received the ancient e that the best way was to "get be-fence and make a noise like a nut." "But do you know how to get a job under the Low administration?" asked the mega-phone man. The chairman said that he

"Get behind a fence and make a noise like a Citizens' Union man," was the reply. The Mayor did not seem to think that this horribly funny. But everybody

disrespect for District Attorney Jerome which cheered the Mayor considerably, which cheered the May, and Deputy Assistant District Attorney Krotel sang a paraphrase of "The Lost (hord" which evened things up. Here

"I had sat many years in that corner, And my soul was weighted with a I had seen trave Teddy go higher, I had also voted for Low;

"I had seen John Doe turned downward

"I had seen Jepone the whiriwind, Scatter seeds of perfect peace, I not heard him tolk like Leary, As if he were touth to cease.

"I have sought, but I seek it vainly, That one lost for divine. That stays is the gelp of mine uncles, And well come into mine."

Brother fliggs introduced Senator Platt

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has not failed to impress upon you the high purpose and sound principles which I have endeavored to illustrate, I am also sensible of having learned a thing or two from your young, innocent and ingenious lives. Perhaps, after all, the true relation is that suggested by your corporate name, and I meet the Amen Corner as the pastor meets his flock.

flock.

AMEN CORNER'S INFLUENCE.

Saluting you, then, as brethren, I remark with a measure of pride which is certainly justifiable, that our fold has had its influence upon the society from which it evolved, whose conditions and needs brought it into existence; and if we have not succeeded in regenerating the earth, it is not for the lack of well-directed effort. There is no field of enterprise, moral or material, that has not felt the touch of our ploughshare or upon which we have failed to cast the vivifying influence of our good counsel; and we shall not be denied the satisfaction of reflecting that while Presidents and Congresses, Governors and Legislatures, Mayors and Aldermen have come and have gone, the Amen Corner abides, stronger than ever in the faith with which it has enlightened the statesman, in the hope with which it has inspired the moralist, and in the charity with which it has softened the hearts of all mankind until the reformer and the practical politician, like the lion and the lamb, lie down together.

But we must not suppose, my brethren, because of the remarkable success that has attended our labors for progress and civilization, that everything is as it should be, or that we can afford to withdraw any part of that close and constant attention to things which we have found so necessary in the past; and it is my duty to-night to indicate some of the directions in which our missionary labors must be further prosecuted.

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We have placed—and by "we" I mean, of course, the Amen Corner—we have placed in the White House an example of that strenuous energy that must continue to animate out work. We must bear in mind that he is looking to us, or soon will be, for sympathy, encouragement, and, I may add, support. The Philippines are pacified, but Gen. Miles is not, and the anti-imperialists are still in the field. If the General is not tired of making military suggestions, he might devise a plan of campaign against the anti-imperialists. One or the other would surely be taken—perhaps I should say, taken in.

There are trusts to be looked after. So fully have they engaged the country's capital, so potentially have they developed its resources, so completely have they employed its labor, that unless we shall soon get them under restraint, they are likely to make us not only the granary, but the factory and the banking house of the world. How, therefore, to prevent men from using their brains to their own and the public welfare is a problem which, if the Department of Justice were not engaged upon it, I should assuredly bring to the attention of the Amen Corner.

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suredly bring to the attention of the Amen Corner.

Fortunately, it is unnecessary to go so far afield for matters upon which to exercise our recognized talents. A State ticket is soon to be nominated and it may be taken for granted that the Aben Corner will not neglect so important a function in connection with that event as by common consent and practice has been reserved to its luminous discretion. The record of Gov. Odell, with its economies and reforms, amounting almost to a reorganization of the State Government, renders our task comparatively simple.

You have participated, brethren, in a remarkable demonstration of what consistency of purpose can accomplish in a brief period of years. I do not limit the application of this remark to any political party. It so happens that the influences of the Amen Corner operate politically through a certain channel, not exclusively of course, but in chief: and this gives pertinency to my remark that the last nine years of State Government have witnessed the solution of more problems of a vexing and difficult character, affecting the people in their ordinary social affairs, than any other equal period of time within my memory. I think it may be safely declared that the people of this State will never return to an excise system under which the sale of liquor is made to depend upon the favor of partisan political bodies. Whether or not saloons may be opened on the Sabbath day, whether or not clubs and hotels may enjoy privileges that are denied to the ordinary saloon, are questions that remain to vex us: but that direct relation between liquor selling and politics which resulted from the old license system has been destroyed.

The process by which the public will is ascertained at both primary and general elections have been hedged about, moreover with such safe and precise provisions of law as to make an honest election in New York as sure as it can be anywhere. This was not so a dozen years ago; but beginning with the last Constitutional Convention the best set of elec Corner.

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During the last municipal campaign we were told with iteration and emphasis that in a certain event the Mayor's office would be in the City Hall, and there would the Mayor be found. Some said that this was a repudiation of the Amen Corner, but they were evil-disposed persons, full of bitterness and gall. There is, of course, some compensation in not being responsible for everything that goes on in the world, but this has never been pleaded, so far as I am aware, to excusse a failure on our part to supply a candidate for public office when called upon to do so, or to render any other public service that occasion required. The Mayor may be assured that there is always a scal in the Amen Corner at his disposal. But if everything is true that is printed in the newspapers, and if it isn't true, how could it get in the newspapers, some things are occurring hereabouts which he musta't ask us to "stand for".

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I am not one of those, dear brethren, who looks back and says how good were the times half a century before and into what a sad state they have falled now. On the contrary, it seems to me that there never were so abundant reasons for faith in Republican institutions, for satisfaction with the rules of the people as they are to-day. For twenty-one years I have attended aimost nightly at the witherings of the Amen Corner, and at I look back to-night at the great questions it has discussed at the important resolutions it has taken. I am profoundly impressed with the fact that it has been our good fortune to live in a sturdy, a moral and progressive age. And the glorious thing about it is that its opportunities increase with the benevotience of its aspiration.

In this room is gathered a worthy representation of the general has made our country's flag so significant an enshem in each of you I see the spring of todde purpose and high ambition, examines of an energy immeasurable. In the presence of

When Senator Dopew was called on the orchestra immediately burst out with Wodding March from Lohengra-Senator turned red and then three h his head and roared with the crowd

I feel somehow just the way I did the last time I heard that some must-REVAILS DOFFW'S SCHOOL ST

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the history of our State. In the Senatorial canvass of 1880 Mr. Conkling's organization was so strong that he had practically two-thirds of the Republican members of the Legislature. He was very hostile to Mr. Garfield, who had just been elected President, and especially to Mr. Garfield's Secretary of State, Mr. Blaine, with whom he had an irreconcilable quarrel. President Garfield and Mr. Blaine insisted upon my entering the canvass. Mr. Conkling favored Mr. Crowley and sent Gen. Arthur, who had just been elected Vice-President on the ticket with Garfield, to Albany to conduct Crowley's canvass. It was a remarkable evidence of Senator Platt's skill and popularity that, notwithstanding this, he equally divided the Conkling forces. He said to me one day: "You do not expect to be elected; what are you in this canvass for? You must understand that if there was any chance, by any break, of your election, either Mr. Crowley or I would retire and a Conkling man would succeed." I frankly told him why I was in the canvass and at whose inspiration, and that all I was there for was to secure the election of a Senator who would support the Administration. He instantly and very frankly said: "I will do that." With his usual frankness he repeated that to a meeting of my friends. That night he was elected.

Notwithstanding a pressure greater than any other politician ever had to endure from his party friends and his party leader, Senator the carvass or treason for varying from it, and carried into effect the purpose which has been the active principle of his public life, that he would resign rather than break his word.

Much as we may deplore the situation, nevertheless there seems to be no escape from the necessity, in the conduct of a campaign, for collecting large sums of money and spending them. That is true whether it is the canvass of the regular party or reform organizations. Reliance is placed upon headquarters to furnish the funds for campaign literature and its distribution; for public speakers; for halls; for comm

DEPEW'S IDENTITY QUESTIONED Mr. Depew had hardly settled down into his chair when a fat person climbed, at great risk of life and limb, into a chair at the back of the room and said:
"Mr. Chairman: In order to settle a bet
between two of us back here and to inform a great many persons who would doubtless like to know, will you kindly tell us the name of that last speaker?" Col. Alfred C. Newill of Atlanta, Ga.,

Col. Alfred C. Newill of Atlanta, Ga., sang an African ditty which was devoted to Mayor Low. The last stanza ran:

'Thar's lots of diffrunce 'twixt here and dere, Angels biddin' him ter come.

Whar Rosy felt sits in de President's cheer, Angels biddin' him ter come.

Ef Brother Seth Low wants him to go dat way, Angels biddin' him ter come.

He better start in fer ter watch and pray, Angels biddin' him ter come.

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Mayor Low was called on to speak. He said that the behavior of some of the diners t some times reminded him irresistibly f the Board of Aldermen. He presented his compliments to the gentlemen up the state, sitting around him, who "seemed baye no compunctions about enjoying

When the Mayor finished, the man who had wanted to know who senator Depew was, rose with a resolution which was duly

Heselved. That after bearing the speech to which we have just listened, the brethren offer a vote of thanks to Senator Platt for having need his best efforts so successfully to shorten the bern of office of the Mayor of New York cits from four years to two dust then Secretary Boot entered the com. The orchestra played three ruffles ad the trumpets braved. Every man and the trumpets braved Every man in the room jumped to his feet and shouted out a military order. They came at him from every corner. Right forward fours right Port arms? As-attent-ton! Guide left Fours right about? Fire by file commence firing, and so on mith his reached his place by the chairman Architelop Residued and the Bey Dr. Hurrell made speeches subgister of Senator Plait, the laster asserting that he was proud to be the behalor's paster.

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The following letters from the President and the Covernor were road

WARREST HOTEL STORE STORE ME Exces Me Exces Will your present to in brethren of the Americ Corner any very

sincere regret at my inability to be present at the dinner? I should enjoy it greatly, but it is a simple impossibility for me to get away from Washington at this time. I wish all possible luck to the brethren.

Most of them are my old and valued personal friends, and my inability to come is a matter of most sincere regret to yours faithfully,

MR. E. G. RIGGS, Chairman Amen Corner Association.

STATE OF NEW YORE, EXECUTIVE CRAMBER, ALBANY, April 1, 1902 Hon. Charles Steckler, Secretary, New York

Hon. Charles Steckler, Secretary, New York
City:

My Dear Sir.

As is well known to you, I am not at present accepting any invitations for social functions, and, therefore, find it impossible to be present at the Amen Corner Dinner to be given at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, in New York, in honor of Senator Platt.

So notable a gathering testifying their appreciation of one, who, through his life has occupied so prominent a position in both the business and political world could not well occur unless there was something in the guest to be so honored that had particularly distinguished him among his fellow men. It has been my good fortune to have been associated with Senator Platt for a number of years, and I have learned to esteem him as a man and friend and as one whose peculiar executive ability and faculty for political leadership, places him in the foremost rank of public men.

Will you please convey to the distinguished guest my congratulations and good wishes and my regret that I am unable to extend them personally? Although absent, may I be permitted to join with you in what I know to be the universal sentiment of his friends in wishing for him long years and a continuation of his usefulness in the affairs of State.

With kind regards, I am, sincerely yours.

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With kind regards, I am, sincerely yours,
B. B. Onell, JR.

At the conclusion of the exercises, which came well along toward daylight, the diners followed the instructions in the "Amen Songster.

At the conclusion of the feast of reason and low of soul brethren able to stand will please rise, join hands around the tables and sing:

AULD LANG STNE. Should auld time leaders be forgot;
And never brought to dine?
Should auld Ameners be forgot;
And days of auld lang syne.
For auld lang syne, Boss Tom,
For auld lang syne;
We'll take a job or office yet
For auld lang syne.

DANISH ISLANDS' SALE. Now Seems Likely That Landsthing Will Approve the Treaty.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, April 5.-The Copenhagen correspondent of the Times says that, contrary to general expectation, it now seems probable that the Landsthing will approve the treaty providing for the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States.

RAN SKIRTLESS IN THE STREET Exteted Elderly Woman Finds a Lodging in the Police Station.

A plump bare-headed, elderly woman. who were no skirts and was dripping wet, ran through West Ninth street near Sixth avenue early last evening with a hooting crowd of boys behind her. As she ran she cried:

"Oh, won't some one take me in and cover my nakedness for me?" Servants from the house at 30 West Ninth street brought out a skirt and put

Ninth street brought out a skirt and put it on her.

To Policeman Reilly the woman said she was Mrs. Glasson Rogers, 63 years old, and that she lived in the boarding house at 24 West Ninth street. The policeman took her there and discovered that the landlady, Mrs. Lera Dresdner, had evicted Mrs. Rogers a few minutes before.

Mrs. Dresdner made a complaint of disorderly conduct against her former tenant and Mrs. Rogers was taken to the Mercer street station and locked up.

Mrs. Dresdner said later that she had been trying to get her boarder 'out for a long time and that she had finally been compelled to use force.

THE PAPERS SERVEDON J. J. HILL The State's Suit Against the Northern Securities Company Begun.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., April 4.—The papers in the State's suit against the Great Northern and Northern Pacific railroads and the Northern Securities Company were served on President J. J. Hill of the Great Northern at his office in St. Paul this afternoon. The complaint is practically the same as that prepared for the United States Supreme Court with the additional allegation that the scheme to bring about the consolidation is in violation of the act of Congress of July 2, 1890, "an act to protect trade and commerce against unlawful restraints and monopolies.

Attorney-General Stratton's brief, which he has prepared to present to the Supreme Court when he offers his petition Monday. sets forth six reasons in support of his request to be permitted to start the action in Washington. His chief contention is that it is the only court open to the State of Washington for beginning the action.

WATCH LINCOLN GAVE STOLEN. Sampson in Boston

BOSTON, Mass. April 4 - While he was standing at the corner of Green and Chambers streets in the West End to-night at 6 o'clock, two young men picked the pocket from the people of the city of Capt William F. Sampson of Cambridge and got away with a gold watch presented to him by President Lincoln in recognition of bravery for rescuing the crew of the ship Northern Light, while in midocean in

The watch bears this inscription:
"From President Lincoln to Captain
William F. Sampson, for the rescue of the
crew of the ship Northern Light, 1862"

RICHARD GIBBONS GUILTY. Convicted of Getting 800,000 on Forged

Notes on the Sprague Bank. The jury in the trial of Richard Gibbons. the Brooklyn contractor accused of getting \$60,000 on forged notes on the Sprague National Bank. Brooklyn, brought in a erdict of guilty at midnight this morning.

John D. Rockefeller is slightly ill at the home of his daughter. Mrs Strong, at Lukewood Reports that Mr Recircfeller illness was of a serious tathire and that a physician of this vity had best sommented to attend him were desired at the home of John D. Rockefeler, & last evening and at the binnessed (ii) Company's offices

To Beal to Ivory and Bubber TREETON, N. J. April 4 The Cango and hanghs Development Company, with a capital stock of \$1,000,000 to deal in terry rubber and other East Indian products, was incorporated to-day. The Hoorporated to-day. The Hoorporated and Frank Bouth.

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BRAVE STAND BY CANADIANS IN BATTLE WITH BOERS.

Kitchener Reports a Defeat of 1,500 Burghers I nder Delarey - "Our Losses Severe." He Says - Special Praise for Lieut. Carruthers and His Canadians.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, April 4 .- The War Office has received the following telegram from Lord "Brig-Gen. W. Kitchener reports as follows:

" 'I sent Cookson and Keir from Vriekuil, on March 31, to reconnoitre toward Hart River. They struck the track of guns and carried on a running fight for eight miles in the open.

" 'Boer reënforcements advanced and fighting ensued and was continued till the enemy was repulsed on all sides. Commandants Delarey and Kemp tried in vain to persuade the Boers to renew the action. Fifteen hundred Boers took part in the

fight.
" 'Our losses were severe. The Canadian Rifles especially distinguished themselves, one party under Lieut. Bruce Carruthers holding a post till every man was killed

KINGSTON, Ont., April 4.-Lieut. Carruthers left here a few months ago with the Second Regiment, Canada Mounta "files. He is very well known in the only and is popular in Kingston militia and sporting circles. After attending the Royal Military College, he was graduated and obtained a commission in a crack cavalry regiment in Ireland. After remaining there five or six years he went to Australia and was connected with a corps there. Returning to Canada, he enlisted with the first Canadian contingent and did valiant service in South Africa. Coming back to Canada, he arrived

in Kingston on Nov. 7, 1900. In December last, just after his engage-ment to be married, he obtained, through the influence of Col. Evans, a com-mission in the Second Regiment, Canada Mounted Rifles. He was then married to Miss Etta Macpherson, stepdaughter of Mrs. John McIntyre of this city, and with his bride spent three weeks at Halifax prior to departure for South Africa. He is a son of the late John Carruthers of this city. He was President of the Young Liberals' Association for many years, and is wealthy and universally popular.

MONTREAL, Quebec, April 4 .- The only details so far received of the fight between the British and the forces of Delarey and Kemp, in which the Canadians took part are contained in a despatch received tonight by the Militia Department. The information given is exceedingly meagre. The despatch, which is sent from Hartz River, states that nine Canadian non-commissioned officers and men have been killed and forty wounded. The officers wounded are given as Lieut. G. B. McKay, son of Senator McKay of Montreal, Lieut. R F. Markham of St. John, N. B., Lieut, R. Ryan and Lieut. W. P. Louden. The names of the killed and wounded men have not been received.

FOR COMPULSORY SERVICE. British League Urging the Need of Better Army for Home Defence.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN LONDON, April 4 .- An association, entitled the National Service League, has just been formed under the Presidency of the Duke of Wellington, with an influ ential committee, for the purpose of promoting the enactment of a law making nava! and military training for national

defence compulsory on all males.

A manifesto issued by the league dwells upon the inadequacy of the reserve of trained men and the decline in recruiting. It declares that the nation's only safety lies in the adoption of the compulsory principle, which, incidentally, will give nse of duty and discipline to hundreds of thousands who lack it, and improve the deteriorating physique of the urban population. The league proposes that drill shall be obligatory in all schools.

Frohman Gets Rights to "Ulysses."

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, April 5.—The Daily Mail says that Mr. Beerbohm Tree, having abandoned his proposed autumn visit to the United States, has leased the American rights of "Ulysses" to Mr. Frohman. It is under stood that "The Girl from Maxim's" is a failure, and that it will be withdrawn on

kaiser to Take Pleasure Trip.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. BERLIN, April 4. The Emperor and the Crown Prince Frederick William of Prussia. and a party of distinguished guests will take a pleasure trip in the North Sea on board the Kronprinz Wilhelm, which, it has been arranged, will start from Bremer haven on April 17.



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CRIMES OF BRITISH OFFICERS. Kitchener Reports on the Murder Cases in South Africa.

Special Cable Despatch to THE STY. LONDON, April 4 .- A British officer, who eturned on the transport Dunera, which arrived at Southampton from Cape Town this morning, says that thirty-one charges were brought against the Australian officers who were put to death by order of Lord Kitchener recently. The officer adds that the crimes charged against them included

the murder of women and children. The War Office has issued Lord Kitchener's authoritative statement of the affair. His despatch says that in July and August of last year an irregular Colonial force was employed in the wildest parts of the Transvaal, about eighty miles northeast of Pietersburg. It came to the knowledge of the military authorities that gross irregularities on the part of certain officers

had taken place. An exhaustive examination was imme diately ordered by the Commander-in-Chief. As a result five officers were tried by court-martial at Pietersburg in January and found guilty. Lieuts. P. J. Hancock and H. H. Morant were found guilty of murder and sentenced to death, which sentence was carried out. The same officers were also charged with the murder of the Rev C. A. D. Hesse, on Aug. 23, of last year. The evidence was not considered sufficient to justify a conviction. Lieut. G. R. Whitton was also found guilty of murder and sentenced to death. As this officer was present under the influence of his superiors, his sentence was commuted to penal servitude for life. Lieut, H. Picton was found guilty of manslaughter and cashiered from

the army. Lord Kitchener's report adds that the Bushveldt Carabineers were recruited in South Africa, but included volunteers from other colonies. The delay in taking action is explained on the ground that inquiry into the charges proved a matter of considerable difficulty, in consequence of the necessity of collecting the evidence of witnesses, who had on the expiration of their terms of service proceeded to various parts of South Africa. As a result of the inquiry by court-martial five officers were found guilty of being principals or accessories in twelve murders.

On the question of the murder of the missionary Hesse the report says: "Though there was strong suspicion that Hancock instigated and Morant committed the deed, the evidence was not considered by the court sufficiently conclusive to ustify a conviction. Major R. W. Lennehan, commanding the Bushveldt Carabineers, who became aware of the crimes subsequent to their commitment, was convicted on a charge of culpable neglect in omitting to make the report which it was his duty to make. He has been ordered to Australia. His dismissal was rendered unnecessary by the previous disbandment of his corps. No doubt exists as to the guilt of the accused, whose pleain extenuation that a member of their corps had suffered ill-treatment at the hands of the Boers was not sustained by the evidence at the trial. The sentences were such as would have been inflicted on

any officer found similarly guilty." MONTHLY LINER TO MANILA.

First Boat of the New Service Welcomed - 110 Cholera Deaths. Special Cattle Liespatch to THE SUN. Manila. April 4 Manila gave a royal welcome to the steamer Peru, the first of the monthly Pacific liners. Acting Governor Wright in toasting the enterprise advocated the early removal of the commercial barriers between the Philippines

and the United States. The latest choiers returns show a total of 142 cases and 110 deaths.

The authorities have discovered widespread violations of their oaths by many prominent natives in the province of Taxabae, who are joining hostlic societies The fiscal, with the assistance of the officials here, is preparing charges of sedition against them. It is likely that acting Governor Wright will personally investigate

the situation.

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